THE WEATHER.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21, 8 p.m., 1883, Tennessee and Kentucky: Fair, followed in western portion by slightly warmer, winds becoming east

For Alabams and Mississippi: Fair: stationary temperature, followed in northern portion by slightly colder, winds becoming easterly. Arkansus: Fair, warmer, preceded to Arkansas by slightly colder, winds becoming south

Leent Meteorological Report. Michigan, Tenn., Dec. 21, 1838. h Mer. Time.

Maximum temperature, 51.5; minimum tempe ature, 10.5. At 6 p.m. the river gamps read 8.5; change in 24 hours, 0.0. Bainful in the past 24

"COTTON."

ed to 6,950 bales, of which 4,150 bales came migration Bureau to be organized than in by rail, 1,175 by river, and 700 by wagons any other of our sister communities. The Sales, 2,400 bales, equally divided between exporters and spinners. Sales for the past Orleans from all European countries to 6,000 to spinners. Receipts thus far this sent cotton, and the other products that son, 456,755 bales, against 521,012 bales for corresponding time last season. Shipments since September 1, 391,722 bales, against 316,- transporting immigrants. In fact, many ments yesterday, 6,403 bules, against 2,672 bales same day last year. Stock on hand, 157,921 bales, against 190,674 bales same day New York, and quiet at Liverpool, Futures advanced 1 to 2 points at New Orleans. remained unchanged at New York, and declined 1 point at Liverpool.

MEMPHIS DAILY APPEAL.

SATURDAY, : | DECEMBER 22, 1888 THE RAILROADS AND ADAMS 8 AD-DRESS.

The masterful address recently delivsubject of a great deal of criticism, most great railroad magnates like Huntington, kansas, Tennessee, Missouri and Ken-Cable and Winslow have been greatly stirred by it, and Chauncey M. Depew, though not altogether agreeing with Mr. Adams in his deductions, admits the truth and force of much that he said. But, differing as they do on minor points, all are ngreed that something will have to be interstate law or by the railroads themselves in forming combinations to save themselves from the practical dishonesty of the immigration movement. by managers, of which Mr. Adams most loudly complains. The magnates say that Congress must make some provision for pooling or else they will be compelled to form gigantic combinations, as Mr. Huntington explains, one division north and another south of the Ohjo River and east of the Mississippi, and a third west of the Mississippi. Another great railroad man explains that it is who boldly asserts, as the result of his exnot intended to consolidate all the roads perience, that "the real reason why Enin these divisions, but to form a stock glish actors are monopolizing the Americompany and lease the various lines in order to bring them all under one controll ing power. By this plan all competing lines would be brought under one management, as the sugar companies were under one trust. To this there is the insuperable objection of State laws. There is not a Supreme Court in any of the Stales that would not declare that it was against public policy and in direct opposition to the law to permit such combinations, because competition is essential to the life of trade and to the maintenance in a healthy way of all commercial activities. An effort in this direction in this State was recently defeated by a decision of the courts. Buch a scheme is impracticable except under the direct control of the Government, It alone is competent to manage the railroads of the country cheaply, safely and economically in the public interests, and it alone could legally group the vast network under one management without in-Jury to it and without detriment to the public interests. And this is what these great railroad magnatos conless when they make a proposition of grouping in three grand divisions all the railroads of the country. They confess that contralization is essential to safe, predent and recompensing management. All their combinations, their pools and other schemes have

Mn. G. R. BLANCHARD, head of the Central Traffic Association of Chicago, proposes the establishment of a system of independent auditors, such as in England, after coreful examination, affix their signatures affirmatory to the accounts of all railroad companies and thus certify to their correctness and authenticity. Portinent to this he says, as he is reported by cable in The Herald, that "a movement is now on foot to establish a board of auditors on the London and New York Stock Exchanges to grase quotations of corporations whose accounts are found to be manipulated. I have no hesitation in saying that in my jadgment the embodiment of the clearing house with this form of im- the action of the few women who have

NEW ORLEANS.

The merchants and people of New Orleans are auxious that that city shall be selected as the permanent headquarters of the Central Immigration Bureau, authorized by the Southern Immigration Convention which recently met at Montgomery, Ala. The merchants and people of Memphis cordially second the motion. As The Picagine says, New Orleans is the most important city South of Baltimore and St. Louis, hence she naturally has Receipts of fleecy staple yesterday amount- more claims to the possession of the Im-Receipts same day last year, 4,513 bales, large number of ships that come to New week, 15,800 bales, or 9,200 to exporters and carry away the great Southern product, we export, offer ample facilities for 007 bales for the same time last season. Ship of these vessels would find it profitable to offer exceptionally low rates of passage in preference to coming last year. Spot cotton closed steady at Mem- bere in ballast, as is too frequently the phis and New Orleans; quiet and steady at case. In addition to shipping facilities, New Orleans possesses the advantage of ready rail transportation to all parts of the South most likely to attract the attention of immigrants from abroad, as well as those coming from the North and West. New Orleans is the cateway to Texas by the Southern Pacific, and there there is a better chance for cheap lands than there is in any other of the Southern States. Then there is the great river, with its cred by Charles Francia Adams before the lines of steamboats, affording the cheapest Commercial Club of Boston has been the sand most effective means and way for cheap transportation to the most desirable of it of a commendatory character. The portions of Louisiana, Mississippi, Ar-Strong, Jay Gould, Roswell P. Flower, tucky, and the whole Mississippi Valley, New Orleans is by all means the point for the Central Bureau and for the distribution of immigrants. All the States could there establish agencies and bureaux of information, and land owners might, through them, easily find purchasers for their lands. New Orleans done, either by Congress amending the has everything in its favor and nothing against, and Memphis adds her voice to those in favor of its being made the center

> A number having recently been kicked up in New York by a coterie of American actors over the employment of so many English people on the stage in this country, The Pall Mall Gazette took the matter up, and has published several interviews, among them one with Herbert Bleckmore, head of a noted London theatrical agency, not. As the language of the stage in the United States happens to be English, perons who cannot speak that language or who speak it in a fearfully deteriorated nanner, are not able to get either the positions or the salaries of those who can." Mr. Blockmore in this is wrong, Twothirds of the places on the American stage are held by persons who know nothing about English and care less. They are bired or their legs sake and in view of their agility and their readiness to cut capers and gagg o suit localities. Language is altogether secondary matter, as one can easily detect on our stage every local dialect of England from Cornwall to Carlisle, every brogue of Iroland from Carrickfergus to Cork, the pure Dorie of anid Scotia, and every twang of the United States from the nasal of New England to the farthest Western drawl. Mr. Bleckmore is wrong and will have to find some other reason. The stage is no longer an aid in the maintenace of English undeflied.

We print elsewhere a communication from lake Contain News, that is very conclusive of Russia's desire to help the Pope in the matter of the Church's temporalities. Growing out of the fact that Italy has made common cause with Germany failed, because of the bad faith of the and Austria against France and Russia, parties to such schemes, and they want the latter country has recently made overthree grand centralizing corporations that, torce to His Heliness and bas established leasing all the lines in their respective geo- a Minister representative at his Court, graphic limits, will be able to enforce their the semi-official Russian organs, volcing edicts and compel uniformity in rate, the purpose, at the same time, of This is impossible of realization, and pool- the Czar to help as he can and opporing is equally so. Congress has already tunity offers in the work of restorsignified its opposition to that method of ing the Church temporalities or States. squeezing the freighter. There is nothing among them Rome itself. This reads for it, therefore, but honest management very well. But the work of disintegrating by honest railroad managers, and the ac- the kingdom of Italy is a wiid, wild dream. curing of these devolves on the stockhold- The people and not merely the tenantry of ers and bondholders. Either that or the Traly are united and nothing can seperate nationalization of the railway system of thou. Germany, as the Emperor in his the country and its proprietory control interview with Pope Leo showed, will and direction by the Federal Government. never consent to it, and there are few things for which England and Englishmen would more quickly spring to arms to defend than the integrity of the kingdom which they did so much to unite and complete, and the people of which have proven their title to power by the good use they have made of it in their own rapid advancement. The Pope will, we fear, in spite of Russia, have to be content with the Vatican and the spiritual power that makes him the most potent and greatest monarch on the earth.

Tite Boston Herald has thrown its influence into the scale in favor of women, and acknowledges that the School Board of that city "has been much benefitted by of the clearing house with this form of imthe action of the few women who have
partial andit would in a year raise the been elected to serve on it, and that the willing that he shall spend his few reand was widely and

shares from 5 to 10 per cent. in Europe. age. Women have more time than men less of any other consideration con ministration."

SENATOR HARRIS finds himself in a very sorry position growing out of his action in yielding to the Republicans of the Senate Special Dispatch to The Appeal. largest Southern scaport, as well as the tells us, are justly indignant over the di- Club, second prize. lemma in which he has placed the party and the advantage he has permitted the lemma in which he has placed the party and the advantage he has permitted the lemma in which he has placed the party and the Puppy Stakes—sam, owned by W. B. Johnson, won first, and Rose, of the Columbus Hunt, second prize, Packs. Wild live see first and A year's Republicans to achieve.

> OUR Washington correspondent tells a story of Senatorial weakness or inability that, under the circumstances of our recent Presidential defeat, is especially discent Presidential defeat, is especially dis-heartening. By Senator Harris's misman-Avent, vice-president; J. W. Lewis, secreagement, the advantages gained by the Democrats in the House on the tariff question are lost or neutralized. The Senator had a campaign to complete and A Wall Falls, Burying a Number of must have his holiday, no matter about the party.

IN SOCIETY.

The anticipations which had been aroused in the minds of society were fully realized last evening when Mr. and Mrs. Farguson entertained in honor of their daughter, Miss Mamie, and their niece, Miss Blanche Brown. No expense had een spared to make the spacious house a ovely hower of flowers and greenery.

In every space ferns and palms and ully arranged. Nothing was left undone to enhance the pleasures of the guests. Miss Farguson's debut will be long remem-

pered as a most pleasant social event, From 4 to 8 o'clock the marriage portion of society were welcomed by Mr. and Mrs. Fargason, and after 9 o'clock the younger ment gathered and spent the remainder of the evening in dancing.

Miss Fargason were a beautiful gown of

white faille and moire and proved a charm-

TRIPL SECURITION.		
Among the many	young ladies pre	á
were		
Miss Rate Maury, Miss B. Seiden,	Miss Thornton, Miss A. Jones,	
Miss Edith Brooks. Mrs: Fontaine,	Miss Lastinus, Miss Lastrance,	
Miss Hayes, Miss Nonly,	Miss Bruce,	
Miss Funsphrey,	Miss C. Bruce, Miss Trezevant,	
Miss Exculout;	Mins Nellie Transvan	ŧ,
Miss Looney, Miss Mary Lou Nelson,	Miss M. Nelson, Miss A. Caldwell,	
Miss Goodman,	Mint Reese,	
Miss Brodie.	Miss Met Humes,	
Miss Lizzio Gill, Niss Peal,	Miss M. Sheller,	
Miss Chrpp,	Miss Jennie Day,	
Miss V. Burford,	Miss London Speed.	
Miss M. Obelline	Miss R. Burford,	

THE STATE OF TRADE.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s Regular Weekly Commercial Review.

New York, Dec. 21 .- R. G. Dun's weekly review of trade: At St. Paul mild weather is held as a cause of tardy trading and the movement of Kansas City is at Detroit, and other reports from the Northwest indicate a satisfactory volume of trade. In the Southwest there is more rather light, but more activity is noticed ment is large and the clearings heavy the situation seems less wholesome. At Memphis the character of recent failures is thought indicative of an unhealthy state of trade. Pittsburg finds Southern from under-selling Northern products, and the same is reported from Philadelphia. The payments through all clearing houses are still larger than a year ago and that of all cities outside of New York about 31 per ent, larger. Weakness in the iron market is distinctly due to over-supply. Sales of Alabama iron, equal to Eastern gray forge, which sells at \$16 to \$16.50, are re ported at \$15. The trade in bar iron is weaker and to is quoted by mills which want orders. Nails are ruinously low at 1.90, or even less. The official report shows sales of steel rails of 1,251,177 tons for eleven months, with 1,116,788 tons de-Coal is weaker with an increase in water stocks of 210,000 tons in Novem-The anthracite coal trade is close, with strength accumulating and sales bew current quotations,

Cotton staples are only in moderate deand, and print cloths at 3.87 bid. cools are steady and a better demand but other men's woolens are More activity is observed in carpels. A French syndicate has bought nearly of raw silk, and a sudden ad-20 per ceat, in French and talians and 15 per cent in Japans has fol-Haw cotton is the for middling plands. Sales here for the week were Coffee has been lower at 16je, with

ales for the week of 370,000 bags. The oil speculation is more active Copper is dull and lower at \$17,40 for

ober, and thrat 22 cents. Wheat prices are 4 cents lower for the Sales here have been only 7,500 . 00 bushels, and the seat of the difficulty at Cideago, where favorable reports as growing winter wheat begin to be felt. Exports from Atlantic ports for three weeks have been 371,501 bushels, against 198,321 bushels last year, and of flour, 303,002 barrels, against 668,259 barrels, and corn export, 3,108,036 bushels, again t

414,074 Insolvein last year. The value of exports from this port for tree weeks was 6 per cent, larger than ist year. Imports keep alsove last year's, he increase for three weeks being 2.6 per rest. The trovement of specie is con-trolled rather by linancial demands on the other side that the state of mere randise trade, A million dollars in gold went abroad on Wednesday. The Treasury has oad out during the week at all ports ers look for a further outgo of gold in lanuary, though unusual disbursaments are expected as market offer securities.

The business faigres during the last seven days number 311, as against a told of 303 last week and 305 the week previ ous. For the corresponding week last year the figures were 200.

Benj. F. Hopktos Pardoned. WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 .- The President today returned to the Attorney-General the papers in relation to the application for pardon of Benjamin Hopkins, of Ohio, under sentence for embezzling and misapplying the funds of a National Bank, with following indersement: "The condition of this convict's health is such, as appears from an examination which have set on foot, that the question presented whether he shall die in prison

average quotations of American bonds and number might be increased with advants maining days among his friends, regard-Such a movement should have the en-dorsement of every bank and every cham-ber of competent should have the en-taking pains, and where girls predominate, ber of commerce, board of trade and ex-change in this country.

or in exclusively girls' schools, they are in a peculiar sense the natural heads of admas with his family

THE GREAT FOX HUNT.

Results of the Races at Waverly, Miss. Thursday.

WEST POINT, MISS., Dec. 21.—The races or permitting them to boodwink and get of the Great Interstate Fox Hunt closed the better of him in conference to the det- at Waverly yesterday. Several rattling riment, if not permanent injury, of the races were run. There was one catch and two losses in the aged stakes. Fleet, Democratic party. The Democrats in the of the Wild Goose pack, took first, and House, our Washington correspondent Jesse James, of the Columbus Hunting The Puppy Stakes-Sam, owned by W.

Best Packs-Wild Goose first and Avent's pack second prize. In this race Truman, a Byron dog, owned by Maj. G. V. Young won the premium for the best training. I opinion of many that the Wild was the Goose pack were the linest and fastest red fox dogs even run in Mississippi. The Interstate Hunting Club has organized, tary and treasurer. Harmony prevailed throughout the entire hunt.

A BIG FIRE AT CINCINNATL

Firemen-Loss, \$100,000. CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 21.-Since midnight this morning the large six-story picture frame and molding factory of L. A. Strobel & Co., on the southeast corner of Elm and Canal streets, took fire. It will be a total loss. The entire fire departent has been called out. captain of the Fourteens fire company ent down with the fifth floor when it fell in and is now burning up in the white heat of the flames. The loss on the buildng burned a year ortwo ago was \$182,000. The present building with its machinery, stock and material on hand are greater than ever before, so that the present loss will exceed that of the former At 1:10 o'clock a.m. a wall of the building fell, burying fifteen firemen. It everely, perhaps fatally wounded George Bushcheamp, of the Fours, Morton Anderson, of No. 1, and an unknown bystander and two other firemen whose names cannot be learned. One man, name unknown, is supposed to have been

OBITUARY.

The Rev. T. A. S. Adams.

JACKSON, Miss., Dec. 21.—The Rev. T. A. S. Adams, D. D., died suddenly in the Illinois Central freight depot at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon of spoplexy, it is supposed, while attending to the shipment of some furniture. He was heard to utter a groan and immediately sank on the floor and died in a few minutes. For the past year the recent North Mississippi Conference assigned him to the church at Oxford, and n company with his wife he was to start for that point this evening so as to occupy the pulpit Sunday. He was extensively known as an educational minister, having several years since been the principal of a large female school al Kosciusko, ne of the first trustees of the Industrial Institute at Columbus. Later he was appointed principal of the Centenary as pastor of the Richland Circuit. He was a preacher of great power, and had great force of character. He was highly steemed by all for his many Christian virtues and great usefulness as a citizen.

HELD UP AND ROBBED.

Iwo Men Take Mean Advantage of Green and Innocent Youth. Oscar Mendlehall, aged sixteen years, was held up about 8 o'clock last night by wo white men and robbed of \$11.

According to the boy's story he een an inmate of the City Hospital for ome time. Yester-lay afternoon he rewived a remittance of \$25 from a brother After purchasing some n Nebraska. lothing he walked along Front street, at a saloon-of the identity of which he was then ignorant-he stopped and bought a glass of beer. Two men there learned of his wealth, followed him ut and requested him to take a walk with He consented. The walk was extended until the Leath Orphan Asylum came the highway robbery racket over Now he is broke, and the police are on the lookout for the agencies

SHE WAS SOCIABLE.

A Bloomington, Ill., Spouse Flies With Another Than Her Husband.

A restaurant keeper of Bloomington, Ill. icorge Miller by name, has written Chief Davis information of the elopement of his 180-pound wife with a man named Jake Lumley. Miller descret the police to scour the city for the pair, and in the event of their apprehension promises all the dis-gusting details. He does not intimate that he desires the return of his unfaithful sponse, he merely wishes to deprive Lumey of what happiness he may enjoy in her company. The revengeful writer says in his description of her that "she is rather sociable in the company of other men." This appears from her elopement with Lumley to have been a truthful state-

A Scaled Verdict of Importance.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 21.-Today a aled verdict was rendered in an important Government tipo er case, before Judge Caldwell, of the United States District Court. It is the United States vs. Phillips & Morgan, of Kansos City, Mo. The detendants are charged with cutting or havog their sgenta cut timber belonging to ment, said timber being used o supply different railroads of the conuwith cross-ties. The period when the umber was cut doles back to 1882 and The land from which the timber was taken is in the outern part of Arksu sas, and is estimated at soveral thousand dollars. Thirty old witnesses were examined. It is thought the verdict is in favor of the defendance. It will be opened at 10 o'clock tomotros morning.

Rilled Under Prenting Circumstances.

LITTLE ROOM, Ark., Dec. 21,-Advices. from Sulphur Rock, this State, say that Thomas Watts, a clisen of Independence County, was killed no for pocultar circumfrightened and ran against a tree with what decayed, fell acon the wagon knocked and fracturing He die naturally, He had County many years

FOR THE PROSECUTION.

TESTIMONY IN THE MURDER CASE AGAINST NIXON AND TURNER.

A Number of Witnesses Relats What They Know of the Sufferings of Poor Willie Tisdell Prior to Her Relief Thereof by Death. the opposite side of the street, where he was cooking. Didn't know when the woman died; never saw Dr. Nixon there,

The trial proper of J. Nixon and Rhoda Turner, charged with an abortion upon Willie Tisdell, which caused her death, began yesterday morning in the Criminal Court, the jury having subsequently been obtained.

R. J. Hones was the first witness examined. He testified that he was in the employ of John Walsh on the 5th of September; met Rhoda Turner there on that date, when she called with a death certificate signed by Dr. Nixon, and wanted a burial permit, saying that a young white woman was dead at her house and it was necessary to bury her at once. She said that it was good for her that whenever they got into trouble they came to her. He had the body buried at once, and it was disinterred on the following morning. A post mortem examination was held in the afternoon. The certificate was signed by Dr. Nixon, and it alleged that the deceased died of a congestive chill.

Dr. F. A. Williamson, Secretary of the
Board of Health, testifled as follows: 1

know Rhoda Turner, but never met Dr. Nixon until several days ago, when he called at the health office to register. Saw Rhoda Turner on the 5th of September, when she called at my office to get me to sign a death certificate. She described the subject as a white woman who had called at her house in a destitute con-dition; that she had taken her in, and that the woman was in the advanced stages of pregnancy, but that she died of a congestive chill. She wanted the body moved at once. It was swelled said, that she was afraid it would burst, She had letters from persons in Mississippi, and wanted me to inform them, if I wrot to them, that she had received no money for taking care of the girl. Saw the death certificate afterward, and it was signed by ssist in the post-mortem examinaton. Dr. H. L. Williford was then intro-

duced to tell of the result of the post mortem examination over which he presided. He had no doubt that deceased had given birth to a child only a short time before her death. He gave such details of her condition as to warrant the rrectness of his conclusions. J. Curry, a clerk in Dr. Tuck's drug

store, said that he knew Rhoda Turner; that she called at the drug store one da in August, a short time before the death of deceased, and wanted to see the pro prietor, and wanted something, she said. that she knew he wouldn't sell her. passed by Rhoda's house on Sunday night before the death of Willie Tisdell he has been the paster of the Richland on Monday following, and heard the cries of pain and suffering from a woman on the recent North Mississippi Conference the inside. He was accompanied by a friend, and stopped. Before reaching the house he noticed a man leaving there, but did not recognize him, nor could distinguish his color. The witness here described the relative position of Rhoda Turner's house to Dr. Nixon's drug store, which was only about a block away. There is a sign over Rhoda Turner's door, reading: "Mrs. Turner, midwife." Did not see the body of the woman after Sergt, W. O. Hedrick, of the city police

force, testified that he went to Rhoda Tur- a.m. nor's on the 6th of November to inquire death of a young white woman. The body had been buried and he didn't see it. The witness described the house, giving the number of rooms, etc. Rhoda Turner was there in bed when he reached the house. She said that the girl had died there and her body had been buried. Made an ex-amination of the bed in the room where Rhoda said she died and found blood on the bedelothing. He arrested Rhoda Turner that morning. Found clothing of the girl and several letters and telegrams, mong them an envelope addressed to H F. Jordan, Water Valley. At the time of the arrest, Rhoda Turner said she knew nothing of the girl except that she came her house in a delicate condition, and that she took her in through charity She first said that she didn't know the cause of the girl's death, but afterward said she died of child-birth, but that she was not present at the death. said that the girl had been taking medicine, and directed him where to find it. He looked and found a bottle of medicine and box of capsules. He saw Nixon that night about 8 o'clock at his drug store, when he went there with a warrant to arrest him. On the way to the station-house he said that he supposed he had been arrested for making a foolish statement to a newspaper man. mitted that he had been to Rhoda Turner's nouse three times to see Willie Tisdell at had made no examination of her and didn't know what the cause of her death The general reputation of the house was. was bad; it was known as an assignation house, and Rhoda Turner as a procuress. were two or three negro be ing in the house with Rhoda, one of whom was said to be her grandson. Dr. Thornton was examined, and related

the circumstances and facts of the autopsy. He could not say whether the birth of the child was produced by artificial meaus or

Mose Weston, colored, the driver of the undertaker's wagon, testified that he took the body of Willie Tisdell from Rhoda Turner's house and buried it in the pot-ter's field. He did not remember seeing lihoda Turner in the house at the time. He disinterred the body on the following lay, when the autopsy was ordered. Bertha Buchanan testified that she lived

in the rear and to the east of 259 Adams Ehoda Turner's, where she had lived for the past two years. She knew Willie Tisdell. Met herat Rhoda Turner's. Did not notice that she was pregnant; she always dressed in loose wrappers. Saw her Was frequently in the house. Thought she was confined to her bed about a week before She went to Water Valley just the died. pefore she was taken down, and upon her return went to bed, from which she never Rhoda Turner waited on her during her illness. Saw Dr. Nixon there to visit Willie several times. Went for Dr. Nixon once herself on Sunday. He came to Rhoda's house shortly after she went for him. Saw him there the morning Wildied. He only remained a few minutes. Had seen him there often before, but never ofore Willie came to the house. Willie greaning that morning about 4 o'clock. Rhoda told her that Willie died o'clock. about 9 o'clock. of her delivery of a child, but saw bloo on the bed when herattention was directe County, was killed under peculiar circum-stances near that place last Monday. He that morning that Willie died with a con-was handing rails when the team became gestive chill. Willie told her that sheesme rom Water Vailey, and that she was nine-een years old. She was a tall, stout girl, teen years old. with blue eyes and light hair. There was a sign on Rhoda's house reading, Turner, Female Doctor.

Upon cross examination the witness flowers

been to Water Valley to see her "friend" on the evening of her return, and that she had fallen down at Holly Springs and

hurt her finger. She went to bed that evening, where she remained until her Wade Atkins testified that he knew where Rhoda Turner lived, and knew Rhoda and Dr. Nixon. Remembered the day she died, but didn't go over. Heard the woman groaning early that morning while passing the house, and continued to hear her after be reached his kitchen on

and never talked with either Dr. Nixor or Rhoda Turner about the affair. There being no more witnesses available the court adjourned over until tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

TOMORROW'S SERVICES.

What Will Be Done at Some of the Churches, Rowan Memorial Baptist Church-Fort

Pickering, the Rev. J. H. Snow, pastor. Services, 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday school, 3 p.m. Central Methodist Church-178 Union

street; the Rev. R. W. Erwin, pastor. Sunday school 9:30 o'clock a.m. Service 11 o'clock a.m. and 7:30 o'clock p.m. Third Presbyterian Church—Sixth street, Chelsen, the Rev. E. M. Richardson, D.D., pastor. Sunday school at 9:30 o'clock a.m. Services at 11 a.m and 7:30 p.m. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

Saffarans Street Methodist Church-Sunday school at 9:30 a.m. Preaching 11 a.m. by the pastor, the Rev. W. H. Evans, and at 7:30 p.m. by the Rev. A. C. Black. Prayer meeting Thursday at 7:30 p.m. Strangers (Congregational) Church— Union street, the Rev. N. M. Long, pastor. Sunday school, 9:30 o'clock. Services, 11 o'clock a.m. and 7:30 o'clock p.m. Prayer

meeting, Wednesday at 7:30 o'clock p.m. Central Methodist Church—No. 187 Union street, R. W. Erwin, pastor. Sunday school at 9:30 a.m., J. H. Thompson, superintendent. Preaching at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Everybody cordially welcomed. First Presbyterian Church-Corner Poplar and Third streets, the Rev. Eugene Daniel, D.D., pastor. Sunday school at 9:30 o'clock a.m. Services at 11 o'clock a.m. and 7:30 o'clock p.m. Prayer meet-ing Wednesday at 7:30 o'clock p.m. First Methodist Church—Corner Poplar

Dr. Nixon, assigning a congestive chill as cause of death. Rhola was positive that the girl did not die in child birth. Did not see her any more that day. Did not assist in the post-mortem examinaton.

Dr. H. L. Williford was then introday, conducted by the paster, at 11 a.m. South Memphis Methodist Church-Sunday school, 9:30 a.m., I. A. Rankin, superintendent. Preaching 11 a.m., by the Rev. B. B. Thomas, of Ripley, Tenn. Mission hand at 3 p.m., conducted by Mrs. E. Cobb Evans. Services at 7:30 by the pastor, the Rev. W. H. Evans. Prayer

meeting Thursday at 7:30 p.m. Central Baptist Church—Second street, near Iseale, the Rev. A. J. Dickinson, pastor. Sunday School, 9:30 o'clock a. m. Services, 11 o'clock a. m. and 7:30 o'clock p.m. Young men's prayer meeting, 4 o'clock p. m., in the pastor's study, and on Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock. The Rev. Mr. Dickinson has gone on a brief visit to Sioux City, and his pulpit will be occupied by the Rev. Dr. Johnson, of Ox-

ford, Miss. Calvary Episcopal Church—Corner of Adams and Second streets. Fourth Sunday in Advent. Services: Holy communion, 7 a.m.; Sunday school, 9:30 a.m.; morning prayer, litany and sermon, 11 a.m.; re-hearsal of Christmas carols, 3:30 p.m.; evening prayer and sermon, 7:30 p.m. St. Andrew's Mission, South Memphis, 3:30 p.m. The Rev. S. Burford, D.D., pastor. The beautiful and solemn services appropriate to the week will be held at this church. Service on Christmas day at 11

9:30 o'clock a. m. Services at 11 o'clock a. m. and 7:30 o'clock p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:30 o'clock p. m. Rev. W. E. Boggs, D. D., pastor. itors and strangers in the city he Via welcome. On Sunday morning Dr. Bogg. will continue the series of discourses to the unconverted. His subject will be the Impossibility of Salvation by Good Works e; and at night, Is There No Balm in

Christian Church-Linden and Mulserry streets. Sunday school, 9:30 a.m. Services, communion service, 10:30 a.m.; preaching, 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m pastor of this church, the Rev. J. W. Ingram, has gone to Falls City, Neb., to spend Christmas with his daughter, and Dr. David Walk will occupy the pulpit, both morning and night. This church is both morning and night. This church is indebted to Dr. Walk more than any other one man for its prosperity, and his many friends and admirers will, no doubt, t glad of the privilege to hear him once

Hernando Street Methodist Church-Corner of Linden and Hernando streets. Sunday school, 9:30 o'clock a.m., L. D Mullins, superintendent. Services. a.m. and 7:30 o'clock p.m., Rev. J. M. Spence, pastor. The services next Sunday will be conducted by the Rev. W. T. Harris. D.D., presiding elder. The quarterly conference will be held tonight. The ladies of the Church will give an entertalument at the Young Men's Christian Association Hall next Wednesday night for the benefit of the Church Improve ment Fund. Amission, 50 and 25 cents There will be music, recitations and an ele gant supper

Young Men's Christian Association Main street, between Adams and Wash ington. Consecration meeting at 8:15 a.m. seting for boys, 2:30 p.m.; Gospel meeting, for men only, 3:30 p.m. These meet ings are pleasant and profitable, and young men will find a hearty welcome awaiting thera. The Ladies' Auxiliary meetings are held every Thursday evening at 3 o'clock in the pariors of the association. Mr. Lee A. Coulter, now State secretary of North and South Carolina for the Young Men's Christian Association, is here for a few days and paid a visit to the rooms. The secretary of the Memphia association received a letter yesterday from a lady in Indiana thanking him for sending her son home, after an absence of several months The young man had given his mother a great deal of trouble because he ran away from home. This is only one of many cases where boys are not only benefited spiritually but socially.

Cumberland Presbyterian Church-Court street. Sunday-school at 9:30 o'clock a.m. Services at 11 o'clock a.m. and 7:30 o'clock p.m. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:38 clock p.m. Subjects of discourses Sunday morning and night are: "The Book of Rath" (by request), "How Men Reject the Counsel of God," For some time past there has been a Sunday school class at the Cumberland Presbyterian Church for the Chinese residents in the city. Several of them have made a publi ssion of religion and united with the turned to China, where he will work for Christianity among his countrymen. A more studious body of men were never seen, and they have showed their appreciation in a very tangible way to the H. A. Jones and family by sending them very unique and beautiful Christmas pres ents which they imported from China. The present consists of two exquisite silk wall banners elaborately embroidered and embellished, mounted on ivory rollers, two beautiful hanging baskets of artificia flowers and two boxes of miscellaneous

MISSED BY TWO INCHES.

JUDGE P. C. WRIGHT'S NARROW ES-CAPE FROM ASSASSINATION.

Some Dastard, Whose Identity Cannot Be Imagined, Fires at Him Through the Window of His Room-A Thrill-

Was it designed or through ignorance? Judge Pitkin C. Wright is revolving this question in his mind with the additional one: Will it occur again?

ing Experience.

On Sunday night last the Judge retired early to his room on the third floor of the Fransio'i House, corner Second and Union streets, in rear, and was asleep by 10 o'clock. Between that hour and 11 o'clock he was partially aroused by a report. Without investigating he took a new position and was soon slumbering as only those who have a clear conscience can. Next morning he arose and had his attention drawn to the one window by an unpleasaut string of cool breeze continually pouring through it. It was a large hole about one inch in diameter, and clean cut. The presence of that hole, which he knew to be a very late arrival, and the report of the night before, he could not disassociate in his mind. At the time, however, he believed the disturbance the work of some miscreant who had thrown a piece of brick or small stone. The idea of a pistol or gun-shot never entered his mind.

When Judge Wright descended to the dining-room he met Mr. Fransioli, and in-nocently inquired after the prowlers who had thrown a stone or brick through his window the night before. The inquiry was supplemented by an injunction to have that window fixed before night, as he didn't want to have a cold draught on

him all night. The proprietor remembered the hight of the window in question, and wondered what maindy had seized him to bring such a report. However, he said nothing, promised to have the window repaired. Before noon the chambermaid confirmed the Judge's report of a disturbance, but added the thrilling information that it was a pistol shot instead of a stone or brick, Mr. Fransiell repaired to the room, and found that it was even so. The ball had smoothly cut its way through the window, passed through the wainut headboard of the bed, within two inches of the Judge's head, and buried itself in the wall beyond. The headboard was badly splintered, but on the side next the wall, and the hole made in entering was concealed by a pillow, hence escaped attention in the morning. The proprietor dug the ball from its hiding place, and discovered it to be from

When Judge Wright went to dinner, Mr. Fransioli asked him if he had any enemies about the city.

"None that I know of," replied the Judge; "why do you ask?" "That was not a stone or brick," was the reply, "but a pistol shot that awoke you last night. More than that, it didn't iss your head more than two inches."

Judge Wright has seen a little service in war, has smelled powder and heard the shot whistle their respects to his ears, but this revelation caused him to shudder, An examination of the surroundings and circumstances followed. The room is rear one with but one door and window, and only the shadow of a possible entrance from the outside of the building. Across the wall was a painter's ladder or scaffold, but underneath the one window. A five foot alley separates the hotel from the stable next adjoining, the storm wall of which, about three feet high, does not .m.
Second Presbyterian Church—Corner From this the shot was fired. From the angle it took, it could have come from nowhere else, and the would-be assassin must have been a tall man. The alceping gentleman could be seen by him becaof light from a burning hall lamp which entered the room through the transom

over the door. Judge Wright turned the case over to the police, but so far no clew has been obtained which tends to throw light upon the mystery. The shot could hardly have been intended for any one else. The Judge has been occupying the room for some time, and before he engaged it transient customers were assigned to it. sossible motive could have actuated any one to make an attempt upon his life cannot be divined, for his residence here has been brief and his conduct only such as to nspire friendships. He came from Nashilie last summer, and has been doing special work on THE APPEAL and other local papers. He has been very reticent over the affair and only related it to a reporter

yesterday.

Judge Wright is one of the best known and most popular journalists of Tennessee. He is and has been for years the secretary of the State Press Association. and family are at Nashville. He has ac quainted her of it by letter,

CAPT. HALL'S NEW BOAT.

The Steamer Ruth, Just Completed Paducah, Moored at the Landing. Capt. W. P. Hall's new steamer, Ruth, just completed at Paducah, by Capt. Ed Murray, arrived here early yesterday morning, and is moored at the foot of Monroe street. A large number of river men visited the new boat during the afternoon, and pronounced her as staunch a craft of her class as any affoat. She is supplied with all the latest improvents, inluding electric light, etc. The Ruth is built with a view of carrying passengers as well as freight. Her cabin is furnished in the latest style. Over the office window hangs a beautiful pair of deer horns, the gift of Mr. Julius Cammer, river reporter of the Ledger. The Buth will ply in the Memphis and Tiptonville trade, taking the place of the secuner Gayoro. The crow of the Gayoro will have charge of the new

boat. She will make her initial trip this afernoon, leaving at 5 o'clock. Military Changes at Little Rock.

LATTLE BOCK, Ark., Dec. 21,-Today a ompany of the Thirteenth United States Infantry under Capt. E. P. Ellis and Lieut. E. P. Lawton, arrived in this city from Fort Supply, Ind. T., to relieve Company, B., Sec-ond United States Artillery, recently sent from here, to Jackson Barracks, New Orleans. Capt. Ellis says much of the Indian war news sent from the Indian Territory is the production of corrupt newspaper correspondencia, as affairs are quiet there now as they have been for the last year.

Hiver Telegrams. EVANSVILLE, Int., Dec. 21.—River 12.9 feet nd rising. Weather clear and cool. PITTERUNG, Pa., Dec. 21.—River 11 feet 5 Inches and failing. Weather cloudy and read.
WHEELANG, W. Va., bec. 21.—Aliver 14 feet inches and failing. Weather clear and cold.
CINCINNATI, O., Dier, H., Eliver 17 net 8 inches and rising. Weather fair and cool. Night—lilver 18 feet 10 inches and rising. Weather fair.
CAIRO, Ill., Dec. 21.—River 11 feet and rising. Weather clear and cool. Arrived: H. M. Hexie, New Orleans. midnight Missispiph Below 8 a.m., Departed: Jay Gould, St. Louis, S. a.m., John R. Meigs, Memphis, 7 a.m.,
LOUISVILLE Kv., Dec. 21.—Noon—River ris-

Melgs, Memphis, 7 a.m.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Des. 21.—Noon—River rising, with 5 feet 6 inches on the falls and 7 feet 5 inches in the canal. Weather clear and cool, Night—River stationary, with 5 set 4 inches on the falls and 7 feet 6 inches in the canal. Weather clear and cold. Departed: Granite State, Memories and cold. Departed: Granite State, Memories